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Air Force Caserne

- 9. A Soviet Air Force caserne is located west of Swidnica on the left side of the road to Slotwina. The caserne is believed to be related administratively to the other Air Force installations at Swidnica. Soviet Air Force troops have been stationed in Swidnica since 1945.
- 10. There are probably more than 700 troops housed in the caserne. They have blue cap bands and shoulderboards and wear Soviet stars speaking in Russian. It is believed that they may be parachutists.

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- 11. No heavy or medium equipment was observed at the caserne. There were several large ZIS trucks in the garage.
- 12. The caserne area is about 250 by 300 meters in size and is surrounded by a fence about two meters high on a concrete foundation about one-half meter high. There was a guard at the gate and roving sentries inside the fence were observed several times.

Air Force Storage Center

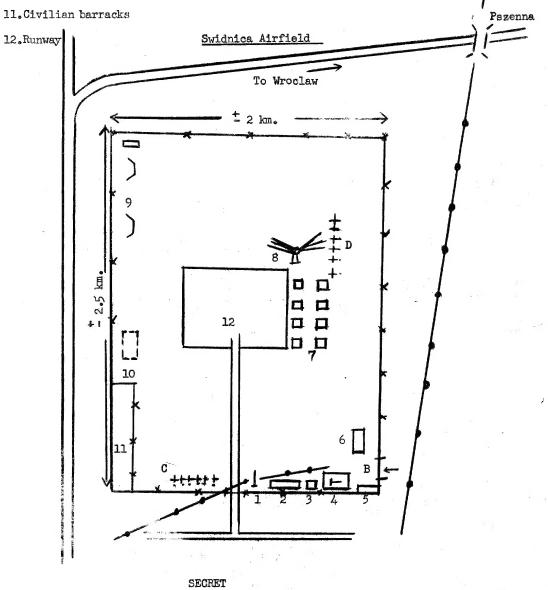
- 13. A Soviet Air Force storage center is located about 500 meters east of Swidnica alongside the Swidnica-Wroclaw railroad and about eight meters west of it; the storage center is about six meters southwest of the southeast corner of the Swidnica Airfield and about 70 meters northeast of a Soviet Air Force caserne.
- 14. The storage center was built in 1936 or 1937 by the German Army. It has been used by Soviet troops ever since 1945. It is guarded by Soviet airmen.
- 15. three large storage buildings in the center contain provisions and Air Force equipment, notably parachutes.
- 16. A siding of the Swidnica-Wroclaw railroad line enters the area. The storage center seems not to have a motor pool of its own, but many trucks enter and leave the area.
- 17. The storage center employs no civilian labor.
- 18. The area is guarded by roving sentries and is surrounded by a barbed wire fence three meters high.

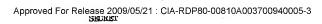
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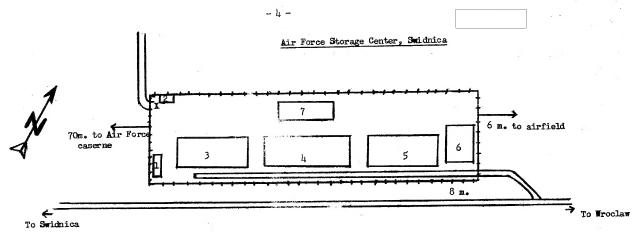
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Legend to Sketch No. 1

- 1. Wind sock
- 2. Workshop
- 3. Fire station
- 4. Gasoline tanks
- 5. Guardroom
- 6. New building of unknown purpose
- 7. Old German fliers' barracks
- 8. Beacon
- 9. Anti-aircraft gun position
- 10.Big hall, which was bombed during World War II.
- 11.Civilian barracks







Legend to Sketch No. 2

- 1. Unidentified one-story building, concrete, 15 by 8 meters in size.
- 2. Guardroom, probably also offices; one-story, concrete, 10 by 5 meters.
- 3,4, and 5. Storage buildings, six or seven stories, comprete, 50 by 25 meters in size; windows painted gray-blue.
- 6. Storage building; concrete, 30 by 30 by 8 meters in size.
- 7. Probably a storage building, concrete, 35 by 15 by 6 meters in size; has a wooden roof.
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